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FINANCING OF THE UNITED NATIONS MILITARY LIAISON TEAM IN CAMBODIA

Report of the Fifth Committee (Part II)

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I. INTRODUCTION

1. The previous recommendations made by the Fifth Committee to the General Assembly under agenda item 174 appear in the report of the Committee contained in document A/48/829.

2. At its 62nd and 65th meetings, on 25 April and 9 May 1994, the Fifth Committee considered the item on the financing of the United Nations Military Liaison Team in Cambodia. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of this item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/48/SR.62 and 65).

II. CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT RESOLUTION A/C.5/48/L.68

3. At its 65th meeting on 9 May 1994, the representative of Mexico, on behalf of the Chairman of the Fifth Committee, introduced draft resolution A/C.5/48/L.68.

4. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.5/48/L.68 without a vote (see para. 5).

III. RECOMMENDATION OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE

5. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

Financing of the United Nations Military Liaison Team in Cambodia

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Military Liaison Team in Cambodia 1/ and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, 2/

Bearing in mind Security Council resolution 880 (1993) of 4 November 1993, by which the Council decided to establish the United Nations Military Liaison Team in Cambodia,

Recalling its decision 48/480 of 23 December 1993 on the financing of the Military Liaison Team,

Recognizing that the costs of the Military Liaison Team are expenses of the Organization to be borne by Member States in accordance with article 17, paragraph 2, of the Charter of the United Nations,

Recognizing also that, in order to meet the expenditures caused by the Military Liaison Team, a different procedure is required from the one applied to meet expenditures of the regular budget of the United Nations,

Taking into account the fact that the economically more developed countries are in a position to make relatively larger contributions and that the economically less developed countries have a relatively limited capacity to contribute towards such an operation,

Bearing in mind the special responsibilities of the States permanent members of the Security Council, as indicated in General Assembly resolution 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, in the financing of such operations,

Mindful of the fact that it is essential to provide the Military Liaison Team with the necessary financial resources to enable it to fulfil its responsibilities under the relevant resolutions of the Security Council,

1. Urges all Member States that have not already met their obligations under General Assembly decision 48/480 to make every possible effort to ensure early payment of their assessed contributions to the United Nations Military Liaison Team in Cambodia;

2. Reaffirms that, pursuant to its resolution 48/209 of 21 December 1993, the office referred to in paragraph 12 of the report of the Secretary-General 1/ is to be called a field office of the United Nations development system;

1/ A/48/800 and Corr.1.

2/ A/48/919.

3. Endorses the observations and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions; 2/

4. Requests the Secretary-General to take all necessary action to ensure that the Military Liaison Team is administered with a maximum of efficiency and economy;

5. Urges all Member States to make every possible effort to ensure payment of their assessed contributions to the Military Liaison Team promptly and in full;

6. Affirms that, among other factors, the failure of Member States to pay their assessed contributions promptly and in full and the fact that the General Assembly has unfortunately been led to consider approving peace-keeping operation budgets without adequate documentation have damaged and continue to damage the ability of peace-keeping operations to implement their activities effectively;

7. Decides to appropriate to the Special Account referred to in General Assembly decision 48/480 an amount of 910,400 United States dollars gross (872,100 United States dollars net) for the operation of the United Nations Miliary Liaison Team in Cambodia for the six-month period from 15 November 1993 to 15 May 1994, inclusive of the amount of 756,500 dollars gross (724,200 dollars net) authorized and apportioned in accordance with decision 48/480;

8. Decides also, as an ad hoc arrangement, to apportion the additional amount of 153,900 dollars gross (147,900 dollars net) for the period from 15 November 1993 to 15 May 1994, taking into account the amount of 756,500 dollars gross (724,200 dollars net) already apportioned in accordance with General Assembly decision 48/480, among Member States in accordance with the composition of groups set out in paragraphs 3 and 4 of General Assembly resolution 43/232 of 1 March 1989, as adjusted by the Assembly in its resolutions 44/192 B of 21 December 1989, 45/269 of 27 August 1991, 46/198 A of 20 December 1991, 47/218 A of 23 December 1992 and decision 48/472 of 23 December 1993, taking into account the scale of assessments for the years 1992, 1993 and 1994 as set out in its resolutions 46/221 A of 20 December 1991 and 48/223 A of 23 December 1993 and decision 47/456 of 23 December 1992;

9. Decides further that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolutions 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 8 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of the estimated staff assessment income of 6,000 dollars for the period from 15 November 1993 to 15 May 1994 approved for the Military Liaison Team;

10. Requests the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its forty-ninth session a performance report on the budget of the Military Liaison Team for the mandate period ending 15 May 1994;

11. Decides to include in the provisional agenda of its forty-ninth session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Military Liaison Team in Cambodia".